

A meeting of the Jasper County Board of Zoning Appeals was held Monday, April 22, 2013 at 7:00pm. in the Commissioners' Room of the Jasper County Courthouse, Rensselaer, Indiana. Members present: Chris Healey, Jim Martin, John Korniak, Eric Maple and Daniel Reed. Also present: Todd Sammons, Randle and Sammons, Administrative Attorney; Mary Scheurich, Director and Kelli Standish, Secretary.

Meeting was called to order by Chris Healey. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Mrs. Healey called for the first order of business.

Dan Reed made the motion to approve the March 2013 minutes. Motion was seconded by Jim Martin and carried unanimously.

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Discussion for the May meeting date since the 4<sup>th</sup> Monday falls on a Holiday.

The Board members agreed to set the May's meeting date for May 20, 2013

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Special Exception

Cause#BZA-4-13

Applicant: Jacob Hodges

Location: Sec.34-32-6 – Wheatfield Twp. - St.Rd. 10 W. of 200W. S-side

Use: Gunsmithing, repairs of firearms and re-finishing of firearms

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Public hearing held pursuant to notice published March 15, 2013 in the Rensselaer Republican, a daily newspaper of general circulation printed and published in Jasper County, Indiana; also pursuant to notice to adjacent landowners given by certified mail, return receipts requested. All as shown by the affidavit of Becky Coffey, Clerk of the Rensselaer Republican, and return receipts submitted by the applicant.

Jacob Hodges was present and stated that he is in the process of constructing a post frame structure and would like to run a gunsmithing and hydrographic imaging business from there. He is currently going to school for gunsmithing. He has been shooting for 20 years and enjoys it. He presented two public notice hearing applications with the two adjoining landowners' signature on them.

Mary Scheurich stated that this use falls under the Type 3 home business district and requires a Special Exception in the A2 zoning district.

Daniel Reed asked how much traffic would there be?

Jacob Hodges replied that there would not be that much added traffic. The customers will make an appointment when they could meet with him to drop off the equipment and then when to pick it up. The public traffic would be approximately 2-3 cars a week. He picks most of the stuff up himself. There may be a UPS truck once a week. There is no CFC's for the primer.

Jim Martin asked what size building he is proposing to construct.

Jacob Hodges replied that he is putting a 20' x 20' building up. He has the building permit, but has not started construction yet.

Chris Healey asked if anyone present had any opposition to the application.

Tom Mathis was present and asked where the proposed application was located at? Has public notice been posted on the proposed site?

Jacob Hodges replied that the property is located on St.Rd. 10, one mile east of the Kankakee Valley High school on the south side of the road. He replied that the notice of the public hearing was taken to the Rensselaer Republican to be published. He stated that a sign was not posted on the proposed site.

Tom Mathis stated that he did not feel the application should be heard due to the fact that a public notice sign was not posted on the application's property. He also stated that he does not see where gunsmithing is allowed for his zoning. He presented to the board members an article where someone was turned down for a similar application (in a different County).

Mary Scheurich replied that gunsmithing is not spelled out in the UDO code book. That is why he is applying for a Special Exception for a Type 3 home business in the A2 zoning.

Attorney Sammons stated that the article that Mr. Mathis presented was irrelevant to the proposed application.

Eric Maple made the motion to continue the application to the next scheduled meeting on May 20, 2013 at 7:00pm., due to the fact that the public notice was not posted on the application site. Motion was seconded by Jim Martin and carried unanimously.

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Upon motion duly made and seconded, meeting was adjourned.

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Chris Healey, President